Example (counting mass)

$X = \mathbb{N}$ ($\mathbb{N}$ can also be any countable set)

$\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$

$p(E) = \#$ of elements of E

$= \sum_{n \in E} 1$

$= \sum_{n \in E} \chi_E(n)$

so p is a mass on X with σ-algebra $\mathcal{F}$ of measurable sets

$(X, \mathcal{F}, p)$ is called measure space

In this case, $p(\mathbb{N}) = \infty$ as $E = \mathbb{N}$

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ is called prob. space if P is a mass with the extra cond $P(\Omega) = 1$.

family of the events

$P(E)$ = prob. of E

Term: σ = finite measure

Rmk: let $(X, \mathcal{F}, p)$ be a mass sp. count. addi. of p $\Rightarrow$ finite add.

$p\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{N} E_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} p(E_n)$

$p(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \cdots \cup E_N \cup \emptyset \cup \emptyset \cdots) = p(E_1) + \cdots + p(E_N) + p(\emptyset) + \cdots$

$= p(E_1) + p(E_2) + \cdots + p(E_N) + 0 + \cdots$

$= p(E_1) + p(E_2) + \cdots + p(E_N)$.

(for ex: $p(E \cup F) = p(E) + p(F)$)

Thm: $(X, \mathcal{F}, p)$ mass sp

a) (monotonicity) $E, F \in \mathcal{F}$, $E \subset F$

$\Rightarrow p(E) \leq p(F)$

b) (subtractivity) $E, F \in \mathcal{F}$, $E \subset F$

$p(F \setminus E) = p(F) - p(E)$

provided $p(E) < \infty$

c) $E, F \in \mathcal{F}$

$p(E \cup F) = p(E) + p(F) - p(E \cap F)$

provided $p(E \cap F) < \infty$.

Proof:

a) $F = E \cup F \setminus E$

$\Rightarrow p(F) = p(E) + p(F \setminus E)$

$\geq p(E)$.

b) $F = E \cup (F \setminus E)$

$\Rightarrow p(F) = p(E) + p(F \setminus E)$

provided $p(E) < \infty$

c) $E \cup F = E \cup (F \setminus E)$

$\Rightarrow p(E \cup F) = p(E) + p(F \setminus E)$

$= p(E) + p(F) - p(E \cap F)$

Question: what about ?

$p(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \cdots)$

$E_1, E_2, \cdots \in \mathcal{F}$

$p(E_1 \cup \cdots \cup E_N) = ?$

Continuity properties

Let $(E_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{F}$

i.e. $(E_1, E_2, \cdots)$

s.t. $E_1 \subset E_2 \subset \cdots$ $E_n \subset E_{n+1} \subset \cdots$

Since $(p(E_n))_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset [0, +\infty]$ is an increasing sequence of real numbers

$\exists \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n) \in [0, +\infty]$

Q: is this limit $p(E)$ for some "limit set" $E \in \mathcal{F}$?

Thm: $(X, \mathcal{F}, p)$ mass sp

$(E_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{F}$ $E_1 \subset E_{n+1}$ $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

(subtlety: $E_n \in \mathcal{F}$) Then, if

$E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ $\Rightarrow p(E) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n)$

(cont. from below) (cont. from above)

Proof: Let's start computing $p(E)$

$E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$

$F_1 = E_1 \in \mathcal{F}$

$F_2 = E_2 \setminus E_1 \in \mathcal{F}$, $E_2 = F_1 \cup F_2$

$F_3 = E_3 \setminus E_2 \in \mathcal{F}$, $E_3 = F_1 \cup F_2 \cup F_3$

$F_n = E_n \setminus E_{n-1} \in \mathcal{F}$, $E_n = F_1 \cup F_2 \cup \cdots \cup F_n$

$E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$

$\Rightarrow p(E) = p\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n\right) \underset{\text{add}}{\overset{\text{count}}{=}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p(F_n)$

$= \lim_{N \to \infty} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} p(F_n) \right)$

$= \lim_{N \to \infty} p\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{N} F_n \right)$

$= \lim_{N \to \infty} p(E_N)$.

Q: what if $E_n \searrow$?

$E_n \supset E_{n+1} \supset \cdots$ $\Rightarrow \cdots \supset E_{n+1} \supset E_n \supset \cdots$

$p(E_n) \geq p(E_{n+1}) \geq p(E_{n+2}) \geq \cdots$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n) \in [0, +\infty]$

Warning: this is false in general

$X = \mathbb{N}$

$\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$

p = counting mass.

$E_n = \{n, n+1, n+2, \cdots\}$

$E_n \searrow \emptyset$ $\forall n$ $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n) = +\infty$.

$E = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = \emptyset$ $\Rightarrow p(E) = 0$.

However, if we add in assumption, cont. from above becomes true.

Corollary: $(X, \mathcal{F}, p)$ mass sp

$(E_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{F}$ s.t. $E_n \supset E_{n+1}$ $\forall n$

Suppose moreover $p(E_N) < +\infty$

$\Rightarrow p\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n\right) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n)$.

Proof:

$E = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$

$F_1 = E_1 \setminus E_2$

$F_2 = E_2 \setminus E_3$

$F_3 = E_3 \setminus E_4$

$\vdots$

$F_n = E_n \setminus E_{n+1}$

$\Rightarrow (F_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{F}$, $F_n \nearrow$

$\Rightarrow$ (cont from below)

$\lim_{n \to \infty} p(F_n) = p(\bigcup F_n)$ (*)

$\lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n \setminus E_{n+1}) = p(E_1 \setminus E)$

(by ass $p(E_1) < +\infty$) $p(E_1) - p(E_2) = p(E_1 \setminus E_2)$

$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(p(E_n) - p(E_{n+1}) \right)$

$p(E_1) - \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n)$ (like of (*))

On the

$p(\bigcup F_n) = p(\bigcup E_n \setminus E_{n+1})$

$= p(E_1 \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_{n+1})$

$= p(E_1) - p(\bigcap E_n)$

$= p(E_1) - p(E)$

$\Rightarrow p(E_1) - p(E) = p(E_1) - \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n)$

$\Rightarrow p(E) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(E_n)$ ■

In 1.4.3, 1.4.9 (now)

Lebesgue Measure

$X = \mathbb{R}^n$

Goal: define a measure on subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$ which measure volume (or area of length (n=1), area (n=2), vol (n=3)).

- Mass rect : b.h

$[a,b] \times [c,d]$

$\mathbb{R}^2$

Def:

$I = [a_1, b_1] \times [a_2, b_2] \times \cdots \times [a_n, b_n]$

is called interval.

Goal #1: Mass $I = (b_1 - a_1)(b_2 - a_2) \cdots (b_n - a_n)$

(1D (case/ vol 0)

Goal #2: Mass $(E \cup F) = \text{Mass}(E) + \text{Mass}(F)$ if $E \cap F$ small

$E \cup F$

$E \cap F$

$\mathbb{R}^2$

$E = \{x, y) : x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

$F = \{(x, y) : y \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Def (Outer mass)

$\mathbb{R}^2$

Covering: $(I_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ a collection of intervals s.t.

$E \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$

$\Rightarrow$

$\mathcal{M}^*(E) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |I_n| : (I_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ cover } E \right\}$

↑

best lower bound

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outer mass of E.